PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Blaise Bossy et al.

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METHOD FOR DETECTING RARE EVENT

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), an extension of time of three (3) months (from December 5, 2008 to March 5, 2009) within which to respond to the Office Action dated September 5, 2008, is requested. Electronic payment is submitted by credit card to cover the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.